# ARIZONA COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CONTROL (AZ CCC)

RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
January 25, 2007
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
TGen Board Room

### In Attendance

Jacqueline Palmenberg, Barbara Kavanagh, John Carpten, Tim Flood, Keith Provan, Mike Berens, Kay Kays, Amy Stoll, Veronica Vensor, Rebecca Villicana; Judy Katie, Kendra Sabol

## **Update on Status of the AZCCCC**

Kendra Sabol stated that ADHS's currently CDC-funded CCC project expires June 29, 2007; ADHS is reapplying for funding in a competitive announcement from CDC. The Steering Committee is having a Leadership Retreat in February. The CCCC and the Arizona Myeloma Network are partnering to host a "Living with Myeloma" conference in Tucson, March 31.

## **Cancer Network Analysis**

Keith Provan reiterated that the goal of the survey is to focus on individual units within each organization. A decision needs to be made as to which organizations to include on the list. He is starting to narrow the list. Questions were asked regarding certain local hospitals. Keith explained that the goal is to build and assess which hospitals should be included in the list; find unmet needs, and missed opportunities. Keith asked to be resent the list of hospitals provided by Tim Flood.

## **Tissue Banking Assessment**

Tim Flood noted that the assessment consisted of spreadsheets that contained the counts of specimens likely to be found at the top ten hospitals. The spreadsheets show the counts by cancer sites and also show race/ethnic details.

### **Patient Advocacy**

Barbara Kavanagh reported that there is a conference on "Tissue Issue" January 31, 2007. Jackie Palmenberg discussed the goals and objectives of a patient advocacy program.

#### **Educational Conference**

The Arizona Myeloma Network (AzMN) will be partnering with the Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition for a "Living with Myeloma" conference on March 31, 2007 in Tucson.

### **Next Meeting**

Thursday, March 1, 2007 from 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm at TGen.